

FDA PRIORITIES FOR 1994¹

- Reevaluate the entire biotechnology area for food.
- Major pesticide reform for food.
- Seafood regulations.
- Address dietary supplements issue.
- Promulgation of new rule on what has to go into "medical foods."
- Examination of the nation's blood supply.
- Evaluation of AIDS treatments.
- User fee implementation (for drugs and medical devices).
- Promulgation of new rule on pre- and post-marketing of drugs.
- Promulgation of new rules on pediatric drug labeling.
- Participation in health care reform debate: particularly, looking at treatments from a cost-benefit analysis if cost claims are made by manufacturers.
- Consideration of women in clinical trials (even if of child-bearing age)
- Examination of off-label uses of certain drugs.

¹ This summary is derived from notes taken by an Arnold & Porter food and drug attorney at a speech given by FDA Commissioner Kessler at the Food and Drug Law Institute's annual meeting in Washington, D.C. on December 14, 1993.

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